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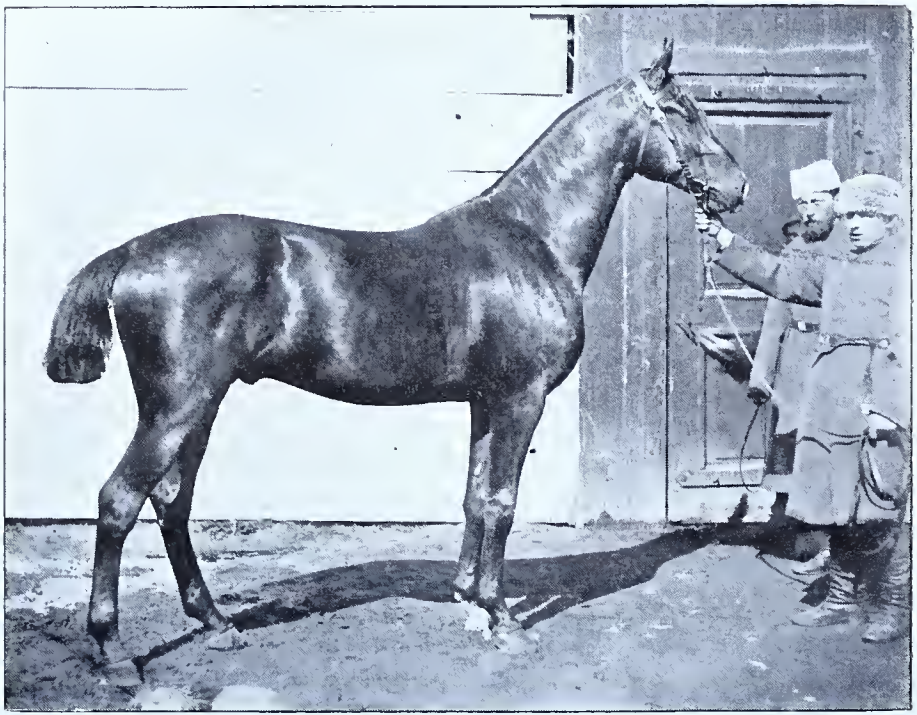

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PREFACE.

The dimensions of this pamphlet prevents the author from giving full particulars of all the characteristic features of Russian Horses. A short description, however, of the Russian breeds brought over here to take part at the Columbian Exposition, along with a personal sketch of the great Russian breeder, the late Count A. G. Orloff-Tchestmensky, will help the reader to more fully appreciate the characteristic points of Russian horses. The data given here are taken from official documents, and can therefore be relied upon as faithful representation of the facts concerning the subject.

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RUSSIAN HORSES.

COUNT A. G. ORLOFF.

When on the continent of Europe or here in America, Russian horses are spoken of, the name of *Orloff* is invariably mentioned. We will therefore begin with the sketch of the work done by the imposing personality of Count Alexis Orloff-Tchestmensky, so far as it concerns horse breeding.

This Count Alexis was quite a remarkable man. He belonged originally to a poor, though noble family. Besides being exceedingly handsome and of athletic forms, he was quite remarkable for his mental power and energy. Count Alexis became a successful general and statesman, at the same time promoting the industries of his country and the welfare of those surrounding him. His special delight at home was in the improvement of the breeds of domestic animals, especially dogs and horses; the interest he personally took in these matters is evidenced by the pedigrees, written in his own hand, which have been preserved; and his success as horse breeder is proved by the continuous existence of the Orloff breed of trotters, famous all over the world.

ORLOFF TROTTERS.

While recognizing the ideal Arabian as the most complete and perfect type of a horse, the Count wanted to adapt it to the requirements of European life by increasing the volume of its body, strengthening its muscles and covering it with a heavier coat against the rigors of the climate, at the same time trying to retain its general beauty, nobleness, force and energy.

For this purpose he at first mated the original pure-blooded Arabian stallion *Smetanka* with a large-boned Danish mare, thus producing the horse *Polkan 1st*, of a larger frame than its sire. This Polkan was mated with a muscular Dutch mare, (which breed at that time was celebrated for its trotting qualites) and the product was *Barss 1st*, a horse with powerful muscles and an elegant trotter, from which the whole breed originated.

Having attained this result the Count proceeded to improve the breed by making the shape of the horse nobler, leaner and with more rounded parts, by an admixture of English or Arabian blood. In this way he produced *Dobry*, *Lubezny* and *Lebed*, from which three have sprung nearly all the so-called Orloff trotters. This breed can be roughly divided into heavy trotters and light trotters, and examples of each type are exhibited now at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. It will be interesting to compare their origin with that of an American trotter, and for this purpose

- **Lebed I**..... (F. 1784. D. 1822.)
  - Barss, Progenitor (F. 1784. D. 1803.)
    - Polkan..... (F. 1778. D. 1893.)
      - Smetanka—Arabian. (Imp. 1775.)
      - Imp. Danish Mare.
    - Imp. Dutch Mare.
  - Nevinnaia.....
    - Felkerzamchik I..... (F. 1778. D. 1796.)
      - Smetanka—Arabian. (Imp. 1775.)
      - Thoroughbred English Mare.
    - Imp. Mecklenburg "Chestnut."

- **Hambletonian 10**...
  - Abdallah.....
    - Mambrino.....
      - Imp. Messenger.
      - Dam by Imp. Sourcrout.
    - Amazonia.....
      - A son of Messenger.
      - ?
  - Charles Kent Mare..
    - Imp. Bellfounder.
    - One Eye.....?

- **Lubeznoy** (F. 1794. D. 1819.)
  - Barss Progenitor (F. 1784. D. 1808.)
    - Polkan (F. 1778. D. 1793.)
      - Smetanka—Arabian. (Imp. 1775.)
      - Imp. Danish Mare.
    - Imp. Dutch Mare.
  - Gnedaia
    - Arab II (F. 1778. D. 1786)
      - Arab I.—Arabian. (Imp. 1774.)
      - Belaia—Arabian.
    - Imp. Mecklenburg.

- **Dobroy** (F. 1794.)
  - Barss Progenitor (F. 1784. D. 1808.)
    - Polkan (F. 1778. D. 1793.)
      - Smetanka—Arabian. (Imp. 1775.)
      - Imp. Danish Mare.
    - Imp. Holland Mare.
  - Dobraya—Thoroughbred English.

we choose as a representative Rysdyck's Hambletonian, and compare his progeny with the descendants of *Barss* in Russia. (See pages 9 and 10).

But it must not be supposed that the result was easily obtained. These combinations of blood were decided upon after prolonged experimenting and trials with the exceptionally rich material the Count had in his possession at his stud. It is known, for instance, that in the year 1772, i. e., 3 years before he was owner of "*Smetanka*," his stud consisted of the following horses:

Breed.	Stallions.	Mares.	Breed.	Stallions.	Mares.
Arab	12	10	Danish	1	3
Persian	3	2	Mecklenburg	1	5
Turkish	1	2	Spanish	1	1
Armenian	1	2	Neapolitan	1	1
Bulgarian	1	2	Polish	1	3
Caucasian	1	3	Ukraine	1	1
English	20	32	Crimean	1	2
Dutch	1	8			

The degree of influence of any one of these breeds just enumerated upon any particular horse shown at the Fair can be easily found out from the pedigrees, some diagrams of which are hung upon the wall at the Russian Barn, Live Stock, Exposition Grounds. But these tables refer only to the crossing done in Russia during the last 123 years; to go back farther it would be necessary to consult the stud books of the English thoroughbreds, while the pedigrees of the original Arabian sires are covered by the veil of the past.

After having thus established the form of the horse most suitable for the needs and conditions of European

life, since it had to draw the large and heavy carriages which were in voge at that time and considered a necessary adjunct of civilized comforts—the Count knew that these fine forms must be fixed and improved, or they will degenerate if left to chance, and for this purpose he kept up systematical trotting exercises of different distances, carefully noting the speeds by a stop watch and insisting on strictly regular motion.

Short brushes—four turns over a course of 1,400 feet, the turning about being done at a walk—served to keep up and develop the regularity and speed. To develop power and endurance in his horses, the Count often made trips to the village of *Ostrov*, twelve miles from Moscow, accompanied by his pupils and admirers.

This is how the old-timers of Moscow, Professor Strachoff and Jichareff, who were eye-witnesses, described the way Count Orloff exercised his horses:

"In front of his mansion in Moscow he had built a race-course 1,400 feet long, (a little over $\frac{1}{4}$ mile) the ends of which were marked by four jaw bones of whales. Old-timers assert that the Count's horses made this distance in less than thirty seconds, and they remember how a servant stood on the course with a large time piece, of the size of a soup plate, over the dial of which ran a big second hand, and how he reported the time made to the Count after the race; this time seldom exceeded thirty seconds. Coming to the end of the course the Count slowed up and made the semi-circular turn of about 400 feet at a good walking pace; reaching the straight portion again, he pulled on the reins and

again his horse trotted for ¼ mile, making the turn at the other end slowly. When he had speeded one horse four times over the course, the Count released it and took his seat in another sleigh or drojky, racing the fresh horse also four times over the track."

These exercises of speed at short distances were a very important factor in the production of the trotting breed, as not only the stallions, but also the mares, to which he paid a good deal of attention, were trained in this way; for instance the two mares *Arfa* and *Amazonka* were well known by the friends of the Count around Moscow, and he also rode them about *Dresden*, (Germany) in 1796–1801.

It is interesting to note that this system of exercising horses adopted by Count Orloff 120 years ago is almost identical with the system of Charles Marvin, the celebrated trainer of Palo Alto stud. Mr. Marvin, says in his book, "Training the Trotting Horse," ed. 1893, page 224:

"I am not prepared to say that the length of the brush should ever be increased to over a quarter of a mile."

ORLOFF SADDLE HORSES.

Let us pass now to the not less celebrated Orloff *saddle horse*. While in developing the type of the trotter the Count was obliged also to bring up his trainers and drivers; in the production of a type of saddle horses he was helped by the Englishmen: Roman, Jos. Smith and Banks, who brought with them the

principles of a long established science. With their help and by the aid of the Russian minister in London, *Count C. R. Vorontzoff*, Count Orloff bought in England some of the most celebrated runners of that time, such as: *Tartar* by *Florisel*, who won the St. Leger race of 1792; *Daedalus* by *Justice*, winner of the Derby of 1794; the sons of *Eclipse*: *Harehound*, *Gunpowder*, *Potatoes*, etc. In all we know of 53 mares and 23 stallions bought by him in England.

Of the Arabian horses, which played such an important part in the production of the Orloff breed of saddle horses, we may mention, besides the *Smetanka* named already, also *Saltan*, chestnut; *Caesar Bey*, gray, and *Arab 1st*, imported in 1774. The Count was able to acquire these pure Arabians owing to his position as commander of the Russian fleet in the Turkish war 1770–1774, at the termination of which the Turkish government and especially Hassan Bey, one of its higher officials, (being under obligations to the Count for the kind treatment of his family while in captivity) aided him to procure some of the best horses of that kind. To this specially favorable circumstance we must ascribe the particularly high qualities of the Arabian horses in the stables of the Count.

THE RUSSIAN-ARAB HORSE.

There is no great need to dilate on the enormous influence which the Eastern or Oriental type of horses has exerted upon all the present breeds of light horses; that influence is well known.

The real Oriental type is best expressed in the Arabian horse, of which again the best breed is reputed to be the "*Nedji*;" others are the Turcoman, the Tekke, the Persian, the Barb, the Turck and others.

Taking as an example the English thoroughbred, we find, according to Goodwin, that the breed originated from three Arabian stallions: Darley Arabian, Godolphin Arabian and Barley Turck, and from nine royal mares. The celebrated *Eclipse* was foaled in 1764, although the first importation of Arabian horses into England took place in the reign of Henry I, in 1121. Many Arab horses were also imported at different other times, especially in 1616, for the royal stables, and mated with mares of mixed blood. This feature of mixed blood in the mares is very evident by the English stud books, and even so celebrated a horse as *Eclipse* (who produced altogether 334 race winners), shows in his ancestry about fifteen mares of unknown origin.

It is getting more and more difficult at present to procure Arabian horses, besides the fact that this breed itself has undergone great changes. But notwithstanding this, many authorities on horse-breeding in England and in other countries consider the influence of the Arabian, or

rather Oriental horse, very great and extremely important, because it transmits to its progeny power and endurance, coupled with an easy and natural balance in action, and a graceful and harmonious build.

This opinion was but lately reiterated by a well known English authority, while discussing the recent long distance ride between Berlin and Vienna; he ascribed the superiority which the Austrian horses showed, to their considerable admixture of Arab blood in them.

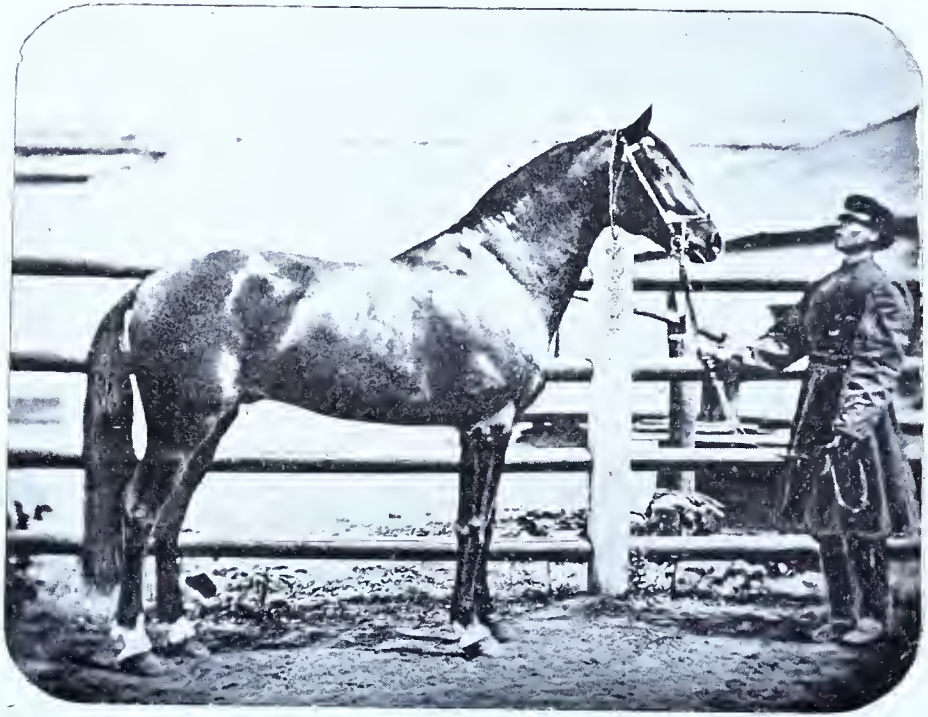
The certificates, printed at the end of this pamphlet, of the Russian-Arab and Orloff-Arab horses, demonstrate the preponderance in them of the blood of the Oriental type of horse, at present somewhat rare already, and especially of the Arabian. The Russian-Arab in particular can be called a straight-out Arabian horse, free from any foreign admixture, and this is proved well enough by their build and the typical manner in which they carry their tail.

RUSSIAN LIGHT DRAFT HORSE (BITIUG).

By this name of *Bitiug* is known in Russia a breed of draft horses of rather light build, produced in the provinces of Tambov and Vorenej, mainly in the latter, in the neighborhood of the village of *Shukavka*, lying on the river Bitiug, from which the breed got its name. The origin of it dates back to about 1712, to the reign of the Emperor Peter the Great, who was struck by the excellence of the mares of that locality, and ordered

some Dutch stallions to be sent to the villages on the river Bitiug, for the purpose of further improving the race of horses there. The breed once established, the local owners took care to preserve it by strict in-breeding. As the village of *Shukavka*, which is in the center of this industry, is about sixty miles from the celebrated stud of Khrenovoy, belonging to the Count Orloff, it is supposed that this proximity had some good influence on the Bitiug breed.

From other types of light draft horses the Bitiugs are different by being much leaner, and showing a better outline of back and croup.



"BEDOUIN-MOLADAY"
Decorated with his gold medals. Sire of "Bezpodobny" and "Bezotvetny."

CONDENSED STATEMENT

FROM CERTIFICATES OF THE

Exhibited Russian Horses

IN THE ORDER OF THE

OFFICIAL CATALOGUE.

CLASS XXXVI½.

A.—STANDARD ORLOFF TROTTERS (Light Type).

SECTION 3.—Stallion, three years old and under four.

RUSSIAN BARN.

1. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"Bezpodobny" (No. 75), black, 15⅝ hands, star, hind feet white; 3 years old; *S.* "*Bedouin Molodoy*," who won the Imperial prize at St. Petersburg and many others; has six gold medals; son of the celebrated "*Bedouin*," which took the first medal at the International Exposition at Paris, 1867; *D.* "*Oussanicha*," by "*Oussan II.*" Bred by Exhibitor on his Stud Doubrovka, Mirgorod Co., Province Poltava.

The breed of "*Bezpodobny*" reaches in the ascending line, the celebrated pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported by Count Orloff, in the year 1775,

SECTION 8.—Mare, five years old or over.

RUSSIAN BARN.

2. Russian State Administration of Studs and Horsebreeding, St. Petersburg.

"Zima" (No. 30), light gray, 15½ hands, with a brand on the right side of the neck, of the Imperial Crown; five years old; *S.* "*Zariad*" (No. 13), of Count Vorontzoff-Dashkoff Stud, by "*Zadorny*"; *D. Velitchavaia*" (No. 68), by "*Volossatiy.*" Bred at the Government Stud Khrenovoy.

The breed of "*Zima*" reaches in the ascending line, the pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka,*" imported in the year 1775, by Count Orloff.

Sent by the Russian Government to Senator L. Stanford for his Palo Alto Stud.

SECTION 11.—Mare, two years old and under three.

RUSSIAN BARN.

3. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry, OF RUSSIA.

"Bezotvetnaia" (No. 88), black, 15½ hands, star; *S.* "*Bedouin Molodoy,*" who won the Imperial prize at St. Petersburg and many others; has six gold medals; son of the celebrated "*Bedouin,*" which took the first medal at the International Paris Exposition of 1867; *D.* "*Gordaia,*" by "*Tcharodey II.*" Bred by Exhibitor on his Stud Doubrovka, Mirgorod Co., Province Poltava.

The breed of "*Bezotvetnaia*" reaches in an uninterrupted line the pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in the year 1775, by Count Orloff.

B.—STANDARD ORLOFF TROTTERS (Heavy Type).

SECTION I.—Stallion, five years old or over.

4. Russian State Administration of Studs and Horsebreeding, St. Petersburg.

"**Verbovstchik**" (No. 6), nearly white, 16½ hands, with a brand on the right side of the neck, of the Imperial Crown; eighteen years old; *S.* "*Volossaty*" (No. 5), *D.* "*Ssamka*" (No. 96), by "*Statny*". Bred at the Government Stud Khrenovoy.

The breed of "*Verborstchik*" reaches in the ascending line, the celebrated pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in the year 1775, by Count Orloff.

Sent by the Russian Government to Senator L. Stanford for his Palo-Alto Stud.

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5. Russian State Administration of Studs and Horsebreeding, St. Petersburg.

"**Ouriadnik**" (No. 13), black, 16⅜ hands, brand on the right side of the neck, of the Imperial Crown; fifteen years old; *S.* "*Ougrumy*" (No. 5), *D.* "*Norka*" (No. 63), by "*Nessoglossny*," at the Government Stud of Khrenovoy.

The breed of "*Ouriadnik*" reaches in the ascending line the pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in 1775, by Count Orloff.

Sent by the Government to Senator L. Stanford for his Palo-Alto Stud.

6. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry, OF RUSSIA.

"**Oussan**" (No. 1), white, 16¾ hands, branded on the right side of the neck with the Imperial Crown; fifteen years old; *S.* "*Oussordny*" (No. 1); *D.* "*Vesselaya*" (No. 3), by "*Vajny*." Bred on the Government Stud of Khrenovoy.

The breed of "*Oussan*" reaches in the ascending line the pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in 1775, by Count Orloff.

7. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry, OF RUSSIA.

"**Belgrad**" (No. 17), nearly white, 16¾ hands, branded with Imperial Crown on the right side of the neck; 14 years old; *S.* "*Balagour*" (No. 8); *D.* "*Ssamka*" (No. 96), by "*Statny*". Bred at the Government Stud of Khrenovoy.

The breed of "*Belgrad*" reaches in the ascending line the full blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in 1775, by Count Orloff.

8. Mr. J. A. Alentieff, Moscow.

"**Krakus**," (Russ. Stud Book, VOL. VI, pp. 341,-357.) bay stallion; near hind foot white, heel of off

hind foot white inside; 16⅛ hands; 8 years old; last performance 1½ versts (5,250 feet) in 2:20; *S.* "*Bezimyanny-Arfin*," (Russ. Stud Book, edition of 1874, VOL. I, pp. 62); *D.* "*Tishina*," by "*Krivodushkin*" (VOL. IV, pp. 78). Bred at the Stud of T. A. Sheremetieff, in the Province of Orel.

The breed of "*Krakus*" reaches in the ascending line the pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported by Count Orloff, in 1775.

9. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"Tchistiak" (No. 1), gray stallion, 15½ hands, brand a Crown on the right side of the neck; 5 years old; *S.* "*Tcheh*"; *D. Blöstka*" (No. 108), by "*Balagour*". Bred on the Government Khrenovoy Stud.

The breed of "*Tchistiak*" reaches in the ascending line to the pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in the year 1775, by Count Orloff.

SECTION 2.—Stallion, four years, and under five.

10. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"Zenit" (No. 26), light gray, brand of the Imperial Crown on the right side of the neck, 15¼ hands; 4 years old; *S.* "*Zariad*" (No. 13), of the Stud of Count Vorontzoff-Dashkoff, by "*Zadorny*"; *D.* "*Oujutnaia*" (No. 5), by "*Ourerenny*". Bred at the Government Stud Khrenovoy.

SECTION II.—Mare, two years old, and under three.

11. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"**Provornaia-Proussaka**" (No. 96), bay, near hind foot white, 15¾ hands; two years old; *S.* "*Proussak*," bred on Engelhardt Stud; *D.* "*Plamennaia*," by "*Otcharovatel II.*" Bred by Exhibitor.

The breed of "*Provorvaia-Proussaka*" reaches in the ascending line of the celebrated pure-blood Arabian Stallion "*Smetanka*," imported in the year 1775, by Count Orloff.

C.—ORLOFF (Demi-sang) SADDLE HORSES.
Weight Carriers.

SECTION 2.—Stallion, four years old, and under five.

12. His I. H. Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"**Priyatel**" (No. 12), black, with white spot between nostrils, near fore foot white, 16¾ hands high, four years old. Received two gold medals in Russia.

Sire: English-Arabian *Yashma-Priyatnyi;* black; bred at the Stud of J. V. Stankevitch; g. sire *Bartchuk;* g. g. sire *Barin;* g. g. g. sire *Bojak 10;* g. g. g. g. sire *Pelieko;* g. g. g. g. g. sire *Goulak;* g. g. g. g. g. g. sire *Kaymak*, Arabian imported in 1802.

Dam of *Goulak*, English *Goodie*, by thoroughbred *Diomede*.

Dam of *Yashma-Priyatnyi*, *Belonojka*, by *Yashma-Nadeojny*, of the Count Orloff breed; g. sire *Yashma*

2d; g. g. sire *Yashma 1st* (English-Arabian); g. g. g. *Ashonok;* g. g. g. g. sire *Svirepoy 2d, Grafsky;* g. g. g. g. g. sire *Saltan 2d;* g. g. g. g. g. g. sire *Saltan 1st*—Chestnut-Arabian, imported 1774.

Dam of *Belonojka, Yagodka*, by *Favorit*, from *Douvannaya; Favorit* was a descendant, in the male line, of *Felkersamtchik*, a g. son of "*Smetanka*"—Arabian, imported in 1775. Besides *Smetanka* we find in the ancestry of *Favorit* the names of *Saltan, Tsessar-bey, Arab 1st*—all Arabians imported in 1774; and of the English thoroughbreds: *Trumpeter*, chestnut; *Acute*, dark chestnut, foaled in 1872; *Daedalus*, f. 1791; *Primus*, bay; *Cinnabar*, chestnut, f. 1789; and *Balaban*, chestnut.

Douvannaya, by English-Arab "Yashma-Dogadlivoy" from "Yagodka" 3d; "Yagodka," by "Yashma" 1st, —English-Arab, and "Yagodka" 2d; this last one by "Yarmatchenok," son of the thoroughbred English "Daedalus," and "Smirnaia."

Smirnaia, by the Arabian "Postoyanny," from "Yahontnaya;" "Yahontnaya," by imported thoroughbred English "Skylark" and "Grizetovoy," by the "Arabian Bay," and imported English mare "Demidovsky."

Dam of *Priyatel-Khmara*, half-bred saddle horse, by Albion.

Bred by Exhibitor.

SECTION 3.—Stallion, three years old, and under four.

13. His I. H. Grand Duke Dimitry
OF RUSSIA.

"Priyezd" (No. 44). $16\frac{1}{4}$ hands high, black, with a few white hair on forehead, near fore foot white, hind feet white, three years old.

Sire: "*Yashma-Priyatny*"—see No. 12.

Dam *Mary*, by "Tchour" and "Krassota." "Tchour" is of the Orloff breed, from the Government Stud of Khrenovoy. "Krassota," by "Cornet;" "Cornet," by "Ananas" and "Kachucha;" "Ananas," by "Anubis," from imported English "Mercy;" "Anubis," by "Tic-tac;" "Tic tac," by imported Arabian "Kaymak" and English "Karij," by "Potatoes," son of "Eclipse."

Dam of *Anubis*.—"Ira," by "Okady," son of "Kady," imported Arabian.

Dam of *Okady*.—"Blokha," by English "Alexander."

Bred by Exhibitor.

D.—ORLOFF ARAB.

SECTION 1.—Stallion, five years old or over.

14. His I. H. Grand Duke Dimitry,
OF RUSSIA.

"Bekboolat" (No. 19), gold chestnut, with star and snip, near hind foot white, branded with crown on the left side of the neck, $15\frac{1}{8}$ hands high, eleven years old.

Sire: *Bacchus*, by "Bourny" and "Obrastzovaya;" g. sire "Benderets," by imported Arabian "Begri-Begrain;" g. g. sire "Tamerlan," imported Persian.

Obrastsovaya, by "Obejan Sserebreuny," pure-blood Arabian, of the ABEYAN family.

Dam of *Bekboolat.*—"Ismennitza" (Orloff saddle horse), by "Iney" (see No. 15), son of "Ibrahim" and "Farssa" (descendant of Favorit, see No. 12).

Granddam of *Bekboolat.*—"Dobraya," by "Jerit," imported English thoroughbred.

Bred at the Streletsky Stud of the Government, in Southern Russia.

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15. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"Ingoul" (No. 18), 15¾ hands high, apple gray, off fore foot and hind feet white, branded with crown on the left side of the neck, seven years old.

Sire: *Iskander-Beck*, g. sire "Iney;" g. g. sire "Ibrahim 2d;" g. g. g. sire "Ibrahim 1st;" g. g. g. g. sire "Goulak;" g. g. g. g. g. sire "Tic-tac"; g. g. g. g. g. g. sire "Kaymak",—imported Arabian.

Dam of *Ingoul.*—"Neeva," by "Neptune" (Orloff breed); g. sire "Bourny"; g. dam "Albina," by "Akhmet"; g. g. dam "Yasonka," by "Yarmont"; g. g. g. dam "Yatchmenka," by "Yakhont" (see No. 12); g. g. g. g. dam "Gazeta," by imported Persian "Godolphin 1st.

Bred at the Government Streletsky Stud.

E.—RUSSIAN ARAB.

SECTION 2.—Stallion, four years old and under five.

16. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"Gouneiad" (No. 9), chestnut, 15½ hands high, long snip, off fore foot white, branded with Crown on left side of the neck; four years old.

Sire:—*Hussar*, Arabian imported; dam *Egoistka*, by imported Arabian "Ashreff"; g. dam "Ptashka", of the "Abeyan" Arab family, bred at the Arab department of the Government Streletski Stud; g.g. dam "Balta", by Bestzenny, son of Arabian "Benderets"; g. g. g. dam "Euridice", by "Ephir" (Ether), imp. Arabian; g. g. g. g. dam "Manjetka", by imp. Arabian "Mahmed-Bayarchan"; g. g. g. g. g. dam "Jelamaya", by imp. Turcoman bred "Takhtaravan".

SECTION 3.—Stallion, three years old and under four.

17. His I. H. the Grand Duke Demetrius,

ST. PETERSBURG.

"Gudrun" (No. 8), 15½ hands high; chestnut, white hairs on forehead, near fore foot white, branded with a Crown on the left side of the neck; three years old; full brother of "Gouneiad" (see No. 16).

F.—BITIUG—RUSSIAN LIGHT DRAFT HORSE.

SECTION 1.—Stallion, five years old or over.

18. His I. H. the Grand Duke Dimitry,

OF RUSSIA.

"Bogatyr," 15¾ hands high, black with white spot on upper lip; five years old.

Bred by Mr. Belayeff, village of *Shoukarka*, in the province of Voronej. Descended from stallion brought from Holland by Peter the Great, about 1712.

Received 1st Government prize in May, 1893.